AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the Brief Description of the Drawings, page 6, lines 7 - 13 as follows:



Figure 1 depicts conventional wide area network based e-commerce layout of the prior art;

Figure 2 describes the conventional, <u>prior art</u> supplier posting process for a software supplier to establish and maintain wide area network based software sale;

Figure 3 is a conventional, <u>prior art</u> customer e-commerce software purchase process;

Figure 4 depicts the conventional, <u>prior art</u> relationships between the customer, the e-commerce, the service provider, and the software supplier;

Figure 5 is a pictorial depiction of the conventional, prior art software application;

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